# Pardon Ndhlovu

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#### SUMMARY STATEMENT

Social entrepreneur with ample experience in running a small fitness business as a qualified endurance coach. I am passionate about taking a holistic approach in potential development by empowering athletes of all levels to achieve their peak performance and surpass their personal goals. Using a combination of education, technology, unwavering commitment to supporting clients and over ten years of experience, I develop tailored training programs for athletes of all abilities. I am committed to empowering others to succeed by cultivating resilience and fostering a culture of continuous improvement, measurable progress and success for every athlete under my guidance. Familiar with college teaching and recruitment methods, networking, and implementing best practices for personal development.

## **EDUCATION**

Master of Business Administration, Augusta University, 2015

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration: International Business, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke (UNCP), 2013

Minor: Athletic Coaching

# ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Supplemental Instructor**, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, August 2010 - 2013

Undergraduate Courses: Human Biology

# RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Endurance Coach**

Coach Pardon Runs LLC and MCKIRDY Trained LLC,

2016 - Present

- Develop individualized training programs for recreational athletes
- Conduct persuasive presentations to demonstrate the benefits of coaching services.
- Manage social media presence that engages with potential clients and help build a community around the brand.

- Provide direction, encouragement, and motivation to prepare athletes for competition.
- Leverage technology to coach athletes worldwide.

#### **Volunteer Assistant Coach**

Cross Country Track and Field, UNC Pembroke

2021 - Present

- Assisted the Head Coach in implementing training plans for endurance athletes.
- Traveled with the team to offer encouragement and support during the competition.
- Recruited high-caliber student-athletes to enhance our team performance.
- Developed positive relationships with parents, school department, and the community.

## **Training Group Coordinator**,

Fleet Feet Fayetteville

2022 - 2023

- Oversaw all aspects of store running club and training programs.
- Built and developed new training programs for the running club.
- Motivated and provided a supportive atmosphere for participants, fostering a positive learning environment.
- Communicated effectively with participants and managed volunteers.
- Assisted in making business decisions and new program implementation to drive traffic to the store.

# **Insurance Account Representative and Agent Team Member**

State Farm, Boone,

- Met with clients to understand insurance needs, assess risk and appropriate levels of coverage required.
- Educated clients on insurance needs and assisted in making informed decisions.
- Generated leads and expanded client base through outreach efforts.

# **Associate Sales Representative**

Fleet Feet Augusta

2016 - 2017

2018

- Marketed and presented products effectively to clients.
- Assisted clients to find the appropriate gear for their desired outdoor activities.

- Analyzed client needs and provided tailored recommendations to meet their needs.
- Advised clients accordingly on effective training methods for their fitness goals.

#### **Assistant Cross Country Coach**

Augusta University

2013 - 2015

- Coached athletes and implemented training plans for their respective disciplines (middle distance and distance).
- Assisted the head coach in implementing training plans.
- Coordinated efforts to recruit and retain athletes by promoting a happy, healthy and peaceful team community.
- Guided athletes to multiple Conference Championship wins and National Championship appearances.
- Oversaw logistical arrangements including travel, lodging, meals and equipment purchase.
- Coordinated fundraising projects to fund the Track and Field Program.

#### **Human Biology Supplemental Instructor**,

University of North Carolina at Pembroke

2010 - 2013

- Provided academic support and tutoring for Human Biology, including clarifying concepts and assisting with assignments.
- Planned and facilitated supplemental instruction sessions to reinforce course material and enhance student comprehension.
- Assessed student understanding through quizzes and other formative assessments, offering personalized feedback for improvement.
- Communicated regularly with faculty and staff to align supplemental instruction with course objectives and identified students in need of support.
- Collected and analyzed data on student engagement and outcomes to inform program evaluation and implement targeted interventions.
- Completed administrative tasks such as maintaining records, scheduling sessions, and adhering to institutional policies and procedures.

### PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institutions, 2010

- Speaking engagement with youth, high school and college athlete teams
- Guest speaker at Elliott Davis Decosimo Town Hall meeting, Augusta, GA, 2016
- UMO Tillman Business School first presenter for the Professional Speaker Series, 2017
- Keynote speaker for the Alumni Awards Ceremony Augusta University, 2018
- Team WickendBookProof LLC, Professional Camp Guest speaker 2020-2021
- The University of North Carolina at Pembroke Campus Engagement and Leadership Distinguished Speaker, 2022

### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS- PODCAST EPISODES

- Running with Dave
- Made to Move Podcast
- The Best Worst Thing

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Independent Study for Masters in Business Degree.

• Competitive balance in women's collegiate cross country running: Applied Economics Letters, *Issue 3* - Contributing Author (2020)

# **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- Organized and Conducted a Running Camp at Innovate High Performance Center, Harare: 2016
- Participated in mentorship programs with Education Matters and College Connect International: 2012 present
- Collaborated with Kyros Sports and collected over 1000 pairs of shoes for underprivileged athletes in Zimbabwe, currently in distribution: 2018
- Continuously support upcoming athletes with needed resources to succeed in their career, be it getting in college or having shoes to run in: 2011 present
- Mentor for International students attending universities in the United States.

# **CERTIFICATION**

- USA Track and Field (USATF) Level 1 Certification: 2012 Present
- VDOT Running Coaching Certification: 2016 Present
- North Carolina Insurance Producer 2018 -2023